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Title : Submissions regarding need to create a separate state of Telangana.

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY (ADILABAD): Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir, for giving me an opportunity to speak from the front rows.

First of all, I thank the hon. Speaker for according me permission to speak on my motion for Adjournment on an important issue pertaining to my region Telangana. Mr. Speaker sir, the struggle of Telangana originated not out of a whisper, but it is a story of suppression, oppression, discouragement and humiliation for the last 50 years. The people of Telangana are silently bearing all injustice being meted out to them very patiently hoping that there would be a dawn some day and justice may prevail and justice may be done to the people of Telangana.

During the last general election, we contested the election as a pre-poll ally to the Congress Party. The net result was sweeping victory for the Congress and its allies throughout Andhra Pradesh. Our slogan and our simple election manifesto was − a single point − creation of a separate State of Telangana. At that time, hon. Pranab*da*, who was looking after the election scenario, very categorically assured our leader Shri K. Chandra Shekhar Rao the same in case Telugu Desam Party was routed and Congress Party was elected to power in Andhra Pradesh. If I am not wrong, in Himachal Bhawan, an assurance was given by the Congress High Command that definitely Telangana State would be in our hands. So, with that categorical assurance from the highest level of the Party, we along with the Congress, both of us, by wearing *dupatta* said: "Jai Telangana". Even the top leaders like Sonia Gandhi *ji*, Rajshekhar Reddy and all Congress leaders who are my brothers, who are siting here, also very enthusiastically said: "Jai Telangana". With the "Jai Telangana" slogan, the people rose to the occasion and voted massively thereby in Telangana region. Only one seat could be won by Telugu Desam Party out of 16 MP seats. All the 15 MP seats were captured by the Congress and TRS combine along with the allies like the Communist Party of India, Communist Party of India (Marxist) and one MIM.

SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI (HYDERABAD): I am not aligned to them....(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: You have made your point. Everybody is so touchy in this House.

...(*Interruptions*)

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY : So, only one seat has gone to Telugu Desam Party and all the remaining 15 seats were captured by the Congress Party and its friends. Thereafter, in the Assembly also, we contested the elections. There also, we got more than two-third majority in the House. The only slogan at that time from the mouth of the Congress and from the mouth of the TRS was: "Jai Telangana". So, after this, we have joined the UPA Government with the categorical assurance that Telangana State would be given as per the sentiments and the mandate of the people of Telangana. After arriving at a consensus among the partners of the UPA, the Common Minimum Programme was drafted. The hon. President of India, while addressing both the Houses gave an assurance to this effect. Thereafter a Sub-Committee of the UPA under the chairmanship of hon. Defence Minister and two other allies from RJD and DMK was formed. At that time it was assured that within 15 days a report would be tabled by the UPA in favour of Telangana. These 15 days have gone to 8 weeks. While declaring or announcing the Committee, the hon. President of the Congress Party of India, Madam Sonia Gandhi stated that within 8 weeks the report would be tabled in the House. Sir, eight weeks have gone; 80 weeks also have passed; even till date there is no whisper, there is no talk and there is no gesture from the Congress Party. All pre-poll allies have given letters; majority of the Parties have given their consent for the formation of Telangana State. Even the Parties from the other side also have openly expressed their intention to support the desire of Telangana. Two years have elapsed till this date. The Congress Party is putting one or the other obstacle saying that BJP has not come out openly; when the BJP comes out openly, definitely they will consider Telangana matter. It is on record. At the AICC Session of Hyderabad, the Chairman of the Sub-Committee openly declared that if BJP give their consent, he will not take an hour time to draft his report and submit the same.

Then, the BJP was kind enough to come out with a statement. They have passed a Resolution in their National Executive Committee. We are very much thankful and indebted to them. The people of Telengana are indebted to them. They have come out openly with a statement. All the UPA partners were kind enough and they have openly supported, and we are also indebted to all the partners of UPA for having given their support.

Some three days back, certain development had taken place. A meeting of the UPA Coordination Committee was called. It was stated that in that meeting there was no consensus among the political parties of UPA, and, therefore, opinion could not be arrived at.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, what is the meaning of 'consensus'? In a democracy, 'consensus' means not the concurrence, and it is the wish of the majority people which would prevail anywhere in a democratic set up. So, in this case also, more than half

the parties, including the parties on the other side are openly supporting. I do not know what is the obstacle for the Congress Party to spell out their stand. Now, they say: "It is the Resolution of the Congress Working Committee that a second SRC has to be set up. That is the policy of our CWC." My submission is this. If that is so, why have you not mentioned this fact in the Common Minimum Programme. In that, you have simply mentioned that a separate Telengana State would be considered at an appropriate time. You have never mentioned that a second State Reorganization Commission would be set up. In the setting up of the Sub-Committee also, there was no mention of the second SRC. The Congress Party, for the last two years, never gave any letter to the Sub-Committee saying that this is our official stand. Unfortunately, after all all these happened, now they are saying that the second SRC is to be established. Sir, this is nothing but* the people of Telangana. The Congress Party has purposely ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: That word is unparliamentary.

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY : I withdraw that word. I am sorry. I am a junior Member. ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: You are a very considerate person and a very respected Member.

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY : Sir, the Congress Party is misleading the people by making different stands of different dimensions at different stations. At Hyderabad some leaders say something and at Delhi some leaders say some other thing, and thereby the people of Telangana are now in confusion.

So, after observing all these things, my leader and the President of TRS, Shri K. Chandrasekhar Rao, and another leader, Shri A. Narendra, both of them have tendered their resignation from the Union Council of Ministers in protest against the attitude of the UPA Government. Thereafter, Shri K. Chandrasekhar Rao is on indefinite fast. ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I am again requesting him, through you, to break his fast. At least ten times I have made that request. I am sure that the entire House joins me in requesting him to break his fast. Of course, his issue remains. I am sure, all of you will join me in requesting him to break his fast. Please tell him that this is the unanimous request of this House.

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* Not Recorded.

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY : Sir, our Party is very much indebted for the concern shown to my leader by this House. I will definitely convey the sentiment of this House to my leader. ...(*Interruptions*)

Sir, now his condition is also deteriorating. He is a blood pressure patient. He is having hypertension. The doctors are examining him hour by hour. If at all, any untoward thing happens ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: No, it would not.

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY : It is a live volcano in Telangana. ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: That should not be allowed to burst.

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY : Let that volcano not be made to burst. I request this House to kindly be sympathetic with our cause, which is a genuine one, which is a reasonable one, and we all would be respectful to the Fourtheenth Lok Sabha. ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: You have spoken very well.

SHRI MADHUSUDAN REDDY : A historical decision regarding the formation of Telangana State be taken. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Ravinder Naik, do you want to join him? You can just associate with him.

SHRI RAVINDER NAIK DHARAVATH (WARANGAL): Sir, I would like to speak.

MR. SPEAKER: All right.

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